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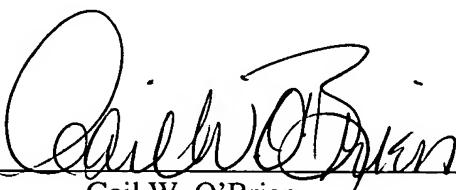
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Bennett C. WARD, et al )  
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Enclosed is an Amendment and Response to the Official Action dated August 14, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

- A petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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Independent Claims	1	Minus 3 =	0	x \$200.00 =	0
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